

A full and perfect ACCOUNT
Of the Seizing
Seven of R. James's Officers.

VIZ.
 Captain *Vaughan*,
 — *Frogmorton*,
 — *Whinuell*,
 — *Burges*,
 } } *Sidmore*,
 } } *Brookes*,
 } } and
 } } *Tearburrrough*.

Who were
Bound for France, with Treasonable Letters.

And now are in Custody in
Bell-Savage-Hard by Ludgate:
Till
Their Examination.

Licensed, *J. Fraiser*, and Entered According to Order. 1690.

THE Seven above-mentioned Gentlemen, treating with a Master of an *English* Vessel, about Terms for carrying them to *France*; and after some time, they agreed with him for the Sum of Forty Pounds sterling; Ten of which said Sum was paid him on their going on Ship-board, and the other Thirty Pounds was to be paid him on their Arrival on the Coast of *France*. The Vessel being under Sail, pursuing her intended Voyage, on the Coast of *Maldon in Essex*, the Master espied aloft an *English* Man of War making towards them: Upon which, he immediately went off of the Deck into the Cabbin, and informed the Gentlemen that there was an *English* Man of War steering their course directly towards them; and that he believed they would come aboard, and examine and search the Ship. Upon which Words, the Master perceived the Gentlemen to be in a great Consternation, and horrid Confusion, and taking a bundle of Letters, wrapt up in a Handkerchief with Lead at the bottom, threw it into the Sea: On which the Master (as 'tis said, to save his own Bacon, wisely considering there was no way to escape the Man of War) immediately gave private Orders at the same time, to have the Ship steered into *Maldon*, which was accordingly done, and the Gentlemen seized and secured: And, notwithstanding they were searched, there were (as is said) found about them, several Commissions, &c.

And yesterday, being the First instant, about Seven in the Evening they were brought from *Rumford*, being the Road from *Maldon*, to *London*, by a Party of *Dutch* Horse. They Inn at the *Bell-Savage* near *Ludgate*, where they remain under their Guard, till they are carried before the Privy Council, which will not sit 'till Sunday in the Afternoon.

The Accidents of the fore-going Discovery, and the lately unwelcome News of the Death of the most Valiant, and almost universally-lamented Duke of *LORRAIN*, puts me in mind of honest *John Partridges* Astrological Observations, on the past Month of *April*: For though I am no great Friend to Prophecy, or the Science of Astrology, yet I think this worthy of remark, viz.

That in this Month some Great and Eminent Man will die: That in this Month a Plot will be detected, and some Men of considerable Note concerned therein.

The good Providence of God hath wrought a mighty Work, in delivering this Church and People from the Rage of their Enemies, the rapacious Papists, whose Designs was Murder; and those that escaped that, must have been absolute Slaves to the arbitrary Power of *France* and *Rome*; for they were fallen into their hands, but God sent them a speedy Deliverance.

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A Full and Perfect

ACCOUNT

OF THE
State and Condition

OF THE
Province of Ulster in Ireland;

In a LETTER from

WEXFORD

Of the 15th of January, 1682.

Licensed and Entred according to Order.

Dear Brother,

I Make use of this opportunity of this small Vessel entred for *Frank* to let you know the sad Condition we who are in these parts are in: Both Protestants and Papists are quite weary of their Government, we are all so oppressed with Souldiers: they have hardly left an Englishman the value of a Farthing; and such Wast is committed by them, that we all dread a Famine next Summer; so that we are all a thinking to get away as soon as the weather may favour, and the nights grow shorter, we

have here a Fisher-boat by our house, which will make a hard shift for that purpose. I have often repented my not going over with you; all you have here, as well as of all Absenters is Seized, and the old Proprietors are got into part; the rest King *James* keeps for those who Believe themselves well this next Campagne. I have no great reason to fear any great effect it will make upon their Courage. For one while the Protestants were all in Jayl, which gave the Killins an opportunity to plunder their Houses, and Rifle them of what they had, and pressed them out, but how they